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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Jean PLOUET et al.

Confirmation No. 5078

Serial No. 09/091,561

GROUP 1644

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliance mailed on April 3, 2003, we enclose a revised Appeal Brief.

The Notice of Non-Compliance alleged that while the Appeal Brief filed on January 21, 2003 included a statement that the claims do not stand or fall together, the Appeal Brief did not present reasons in support thereof as required under 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7).

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Accordingly, the Appeal Brief has been revised to present additional reasons as to why the claims do not stand or fall together.

Respectfully submitted,

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